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OAKLEIGH DAHLIA GARDENS

GRAND RAPIDS 4, MICHIGAN



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## SPECIAL INFORMATION

Please read carefully

Avoid disappointment by ordering early. Quantities are extremely limited on some varieties and you will be assured of best selection by making prompt reservation. Please give us permission to substitute with greater value when necessary.

Unless otherwise specified, Root Orders will be shipped between April 1 and May 1. Our quotations include ordinary delivery charges by Parcel Post. If you wish delivery by Special Delivery mail, please add 35¢ to your remittance.

On orders of less than \$5.00, add fifty cents for packing and postage. This is in addition to Special Delivery or Special Handling Fees. Minimum order accepted \$3.00. It actually costs us as much to handle a \$3.00 order as it does to handle a \$5.00 or \$10.00 order. The same amount of detail work, inspection, packing, carton and handling is required. We will appreciate your consideration.

While our terms are invariably "Cash with Order", we will, as a matter of accommodation, book your order upon receipt of a deposit of 25 per cent of the amount of the order-balance to be paid prior to delivery time. Positively no COD orders accepted.

Usual trade discounts apply to all items excepting Special Collections and Bargain Offers. Commercial growers please use business letterhead when requesting wholesale prices. Large quantities a matter of correspondence. Send us your "Want List" for special price.

Special planting instructions accompany each root order. These instructions cover all of the necessary details of Dahlia culture including: preparation of ground, planting, fertilization, debudding and pruning, digging root crop and winter storage.

Order early and keep a copy of your order. All orders acknowledged and stock is immediately selected and reserved for you.



ADDRESS ALL ORDERS TO:  
**OAKLEIGH GARDENS**

961 Oakleigh Road, N. W.

Grand Rapids 4, Michigan

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## INTRODUCTION

There is no finer hobby than growing Dahlias, especially the gorgeous introductions of recent years. Dahlia culture is both interesting and healthful—a splendid, pleasant source of outdoor exercise and relaxation from our busy business life. Among our thousands of customers are people from all walks of life—business, professional men and bankers, as well as people of modest means and ability—all with a single thought in mind—the thrill and joy reflected by successful Dahlia culture.

If you have never grown the modern, large flowering type of Dahlias, why not try it this year if only in a small way? Many inexpensive Collections are offered in this booklet especially for the amateur or beginner. Our Cultural Directions, which accompany every shipment, explain all necessary planting details which are exceedingly simple. The popularity of Dahlia growing is increasing by leaps and bounds. By all means learn for yourself the thrill and pleasure of modern Dahlia culture.

Unfortunately it was necessary to return many orders last Season because we were sold out, and we urge you to place your order early for 1959 to avoid disappointment. Advance bookings already indicate an early sell-out. The died-in-the-wool Dahlia fan will find described herein the best introductions of recent years. Our special Collection offer interesting assortments at genuine worthwhile savings, and if you are undecided as to what to order, turn to Page 17 and select one of our Personal Service Offers—you will be thrilled and delighted with our personal selection. Please remember that each transaction carries with it an unreserved guarantee of complete satisfaction.

To the hundreds of visitors to our Exhibition Gardens and field plantings during blooming time, may we extend a cordial welcome to come again. You will always find the latest and best varieties at Oakleigh Gardens and we hope it will be our pleasure and privilege to meet many new friends and Dahlia lovers in 1959.

Write us personally if we can be of any service to you in the proper selection of stock. It will be a genuine pleasure to work with you and help you with your planting problems. Your garden will be an outstanding one for beauty and admiration if you grow Oakleigh Prize Winning Dahlias.

Cordially yours,

W. B. MITCHELL, M.D. (Father)

THOMAS O. MITCHELL (Son)

(Owners)

**"YOU CAN DEPEND ON OAKLEIGH"**

**GRAND RAPIDS 4, MICHIGAN**

**OAKLEIGH DAHLIA GARDENS**



## General Description of Varieties

Abbreviations: FD--Formal Decorative  
ID--Informal Decorative; SC--Semi-Cactus  
INC. C--Incurved Cactus; Str. C--Straight Cactus  
Min.--Miniature

### ARTHUR GODFREY (FD)

Beautiful Orient red with orange or buff shadings. A real GIANT and great prize-winner.  
Blooms 12x6. Very highly recommended Root \$1.00

### AUTUMN BLAZE (ID)

Very striking color-firey red with shades of gold. Giant blooms up to 11x6". Root \$1.00

### AVALON (FD)

Best clear yellow. Unexcelled for cutting. Root \$ .75

### BITTERSWEET (BB)

Orange and yellow. Good keeper, and excellent for floral work. Root \$1.25

### BLACK MONARCH (SC)

A very large dark oxblood red variety. Strong grower and prolific bloomer, on best of stems. Root \$1.50

### BLACK NARCISSUS (SC)

A splended new exhibition variety. Color is dark red to black. Highly recommended. Root \$1.25

## Bargain Offer No. 1 (Roots)

A fine collection of eight (8) splendid varieties in a beautiful color range-especially selected for the amateur or beginner. All of these Dahlias are easy to grow and sure to please.

CROYDON MASTERPIECE	AUTUMN BLAZE
OAKLEIGH CHAMPION	BLACK NARCISSUS
ARTHUR GODFREY	CLARA HOOK
CHEROKEE BEAUTY	MRS. E. J.

One strong Root of each of the above fine varieties for only \$6.85 postpaid. (Regular Catalog value \$8.25). For prompt ordering - your FREE gift-choice of: Pride of Holland or Nancy Scharag.

### BLUE ROSE (FD)

One of the nicest and most perfect Dahlias we grow. Color is bluish rose. Root \$1.50

### BLUE OKANGEN (A.I.D.)

Large bluish purple. Root \$1.50

### BONFIRE (SC)

A beautiful new salmon variety with yellow center. Strong thrifty grower. Root \$1.50

### BORAMS MOONLITE (SC)

A beauty in itself, with perfect stems. Medium size. Color golden orange. Root \$2.00

### CALIFORNIA IDOL (A-ID)

Yellow. An older variety. An excellent large Dahlia. Root \$ .75

### CARLISLES PIN WHEEL (A-IC)

A very large orangy buff with quilled petals. Root \$1.50

### CERAMIC BEAUTY (A-FD)

Dark red formal. Early and prolific. Ideal stems. Root \$1.50

### CHEROKEE BEAUTY (FD)

A splended 4 Honor Roll winner of great merit. Color is intense pink. This Dahlia is a must. Root \$1.25

### CHIN TOO (A.I.D.)

Giant yellow. One of the new 58 introductions. Root \$5.00

### CLARA HOOK (SC)

Golden yellow suffused apricot. A tall, strong grower with large blooms, and perfect stems. Root \$1.00

### COMMANDO (FD)

A most satisfactory Dahlia- easy growing, and always produces giant blooms. Color phlox purple. Good root maker. Root \$ .75

### CROYDON MASTERPIECE (FD)

This is IT. A real GIANT and one of the FINEST Dahlias we have ever grown- bar none. Color is majolica orange lightly suffused jasper red. Early, profuse, strong stems and healthy foliage. Blooms 12" to 14". A sure prize-winner everywhere. Root \$1.25

### DANSUESE (B-SC)

One of the best medium sized flowers grown. Excellent for cut flowers, and produces many blooms. Color Salmon pink with lilac blush, and gold centre. Root \$1.00

### D DAY (FD)

A splended pink variety. Profuse bloomer. Good stems, and good keeper. Root \$ .75

### DEEP VELVET (FD)

A fine formal decorative of dark carmine with an overlay of oxblood red. Strong, thrifty grower Size 8x4. Root \$ .75

### DIXIE WINE DOT (A-ID)

Varigated white stripped with purple. One of the most popular Dahlias grown Root \$1.25

### DUET (FD)

A splended new 1956 introduction. Color is dark red with white tips, one of the best bi-colors. Root \$2.00

### ELIZABETH HERTEL (SC)

This Dahlia is outstanding. Color clear yellow. Size 7x5. Will compete with the best on the show table. Root \$5.00

### FAIR LADY (B-SC) 1958 INTRODUCTION

This Dahlia is an especially prolific grower, Blooms 7½". Color light Mallow Roseto Cream White at center. Root \$5.00

### FIVE STAR GENERAL (FD)

Pink and maize yellow blend. A giant in size and a variety which always does good anywhere. Root \$1.50



FLORENCE CHADWICK (STR.C)

Pure glistening white with pedals slightly  
tipped lavender and lavender at center.  
Strong grower.

Root \$1.50

FRESCO (SC)

A gold dahlia with deeply fimbriated petal-  
tips. The base of the dahlia changes to a  
deep magenta pink. A real beauty.

Root \$1.75

GERRY HOEK (ID)

Single petal type dahlia. Unusual in texture.  
Resembles water lily. Color is Pink.

Root \$1.25

GIANT BEAUTY (ID)

One of the largest dahlias grown and a win-  
ner of Honors, and Awards. Color is dark  
rose with tints of buff and purple. This is a  
must.

Root \$3.50

GLADYS BREWSTER (FD)

Color is dark blend of Trian purple and white.  
Size 8x5" Highly recommended.

Root \$1.50

GOLDEN TREASURE (SC)

All the name implies-lovely gold variety. In  
demand for by florists for cut flower. A  
splendid keeper for cutting or exhibition.  
Size 8x4".

Root \$ .75

GYPSY GIRL (FD)

A variegated type of lavender and pink, fleck-  
ed and splashed purple. Splendid exhibition  
variety.

Root \$1.50

HARVEY ATHERTON (FD)

Here is a real giant. Blooms up to 14" with-  
out forcing. Color is rhodamine purple. Al-  
ways a winner in big bloom class.

Root \$2.00

Bargain Offer No. 2 (Roots)

An unusually good assortment of eight (8) fine  
Exhibition type Dahlias. They performed especially  
good in 1958 and are sure to please in all respects.

BONFIRE

PEACH BLEND

GLADYS BREWSTER

MARY ELIZABETH

FLORENCE CHADWICK

FIVE STAR GENERAL

SARAH CAROLINE

CROYDON MASTERPIECE

One strong Root of each of the above eight (8)  
outstanding Prize-winners for only \$8.95 postpaid.  
(Regular Catalog value \$11.50) For prompt ordering -  
your FREE gift - Choice of Black Narcissus or  
Cherokee Beauty.

HELEN HAYES (FD)

Large blooms 11x17" strong stems about 10"  
long. Belongs in the lavender class, altho  
it might range into a Cobalt Violet.

Root \$5.00

HELEN M (A-ID)

Here is a Dahlia of unusual coloring. Base  
color lavender with petals stripped with  
Fuscia Purple which blend into a color of  
Persian Rose.

Root \$5.00

## INSPECTOR VAN DER PLASSCHE (B-ID)

A striking carmine red with pure white tips.

A dahlia to be long remembered. Root \$1.25

## JANETT BECKET (SC)

This is an unusually beautiful yellow cactus.

Has good stem and works beautifully with smaller dahlias of same coloring. Root \$1.25

## JETER (A-SC)

A variegated Semi-Cactus measuring up to 10x5". Color is Turkey Red streaks and splashes on a golden base color.

Root \$7.50

## JOEY K (SC)

This Dahlia is a real find-full-bodied compact bloom with firmriated petals. Color "Spanish Orange"

Root \$3.50

## JOLLY TIME (B-SC)

Orange with yellow veins. Very Attractive. Root \$1.00

## JUANITA (B-SC)

Excellent Dahlia for exhibition purposes.

Deep purplish red. Root \$1.50

## KAY KAY (SC)

Combination of rose and yellow blend, very striking. Blooms are large with long, perfect stems. We recommend this one.

Root \$ .75

## KELVIN (ID)

A giant peach pink variety. We still consider this one of the best Dahlias we grow. Sensational.

Root \$1.00

## KELVIN SUNRISE (SC)

Yellow and burnt orange blend. A real beauty.

Root \$ .50

## Bargain Offer No. 3 (Roots)

Here is an OUTSTANDING Collection of six (6) great Prize-winning Dahlias which are sure to win top Honors in Show Competition. This special assortment is highly recommended.

DUET

NED SEYMOUR

CARLISLES PINWHEEL

ROYAL JESTER

CERAMIC BEAUTY

MARY ELIZABETH

One strong Root of each of the above six (6) Exhibition varieties for only \$7.95 postpaid. (Regular Catalog value \$10.50).

For prompt ordering - your FREE gift - Choice of Gladys Brewster or Florence Chadwick.

## KEMPS MEMORIAL (ID-SC)

This is a seedling of the late "Daddy Kemp".

Autumn gold color. Root \$7.50

## KIDDS CLIMAX (A-FD)

This is a New Zealand variety. Large ball-shaped flowers. Cream overlaid with pink and heliotrope. Good strong stem.

Root \$2.50



MAFFIE (A-SC)

A tall grower, and highly regarded Dahlia.  
Color brilliant red. Root \$1.00

MRS. E. J. (STR-C)

A real cactus variety. Color is a clear pink  
with white center. Has extra long stems. Root \$ .75

MRS. HESTER PAPE (ID)

Reddish purple. One of the best prize-winners,  
and a real giant. Root \$1.00

MARIAN GLEN (SC)

Color is peony purple shaded garnet. A real  
prize winner. Root \$1.00

MARY ELIZABETH (ID)

Bright cherry red. Always a winner in the  
large bloom class. On 4 Honor Rolls. Root \$1.50

MICHIGAN GLORY (SC)

A splendid new A size variety. Color is a  
bright lavender. Good stems and growth.  
Root \$3.50

MICHIGAN WHITE (SC)

This one to use for cut flowers. Blooms good  
and has long stems. Has won many certifi-  
cates. Size 6". Root \$1.00

NANCY SCHARAG (ID)

An excellent variegated variety. Pink splash-  
ed with dark wine. Big blooms. Root \$1.00

NED SEYMOUR (ID)

Giant orange red, outstanding in all respects.  
One of the greatest prize winners. This is a  
MUST. Root \$2.00

### Bargain Offer No. 4 (Roots)

A carefully selected assortment of eight (8) very  
choice Foreign varieties. No garden is complete with-  
out a few of these lovely Dahlias. These are among  
the best and are guaranteed to please and thrill you.

KNOCK OUT	GIANT OF BAARN
BRIGHTEST PINK	GOLDEN AUTUMN
PRIDE OF HOLLAND	REX
SALMON GLORY	GRAF FOLKE BERNADOTTE

One strong Root of each of the above eight (8)  
beautiful Foreign Dahlias for only \$7.85 postpaid.  
(Regular Catalog value \$9.25) For prompt ordering -  
your FREE gift - choice of My Goodness or Val St.  
Lambert.

Due to the increasing cost of labor, printing and postage,  
we are compelled as a matter of economy to check our mail-  
ing list and remove those who have not ordered during the  
last two years. If however, you desire our catalog, don't  
hesitate to write for it.



NICK'S ORCHID (B-SC)

One of the finest, lavender semi-cactus. Good stems, clear orchid color. Root \$1.75

NIGHT EDITOR (A-ID)

If you like large purple here is the answer. Root \$1.50

NUTLEY SUNRISE (IC)

This Dahlia has an unusual color range; Burnt orange with a mingling of red, Tyrain purple, and chrome yellow. Root \$5.00

OAKLEIGH CHAMPION (INC. C)

Our own great introduction. Color burnt orange and soft pink with lemon yellow shadings. Blooms 8"x11". This variety is winning everywhere in the cactus class. Root \$ .75

OGDEN REID (ID)

Color is spinel pink. Large blooms on perfect stems. This Dahlia has been Consistently outstanding every year. Root \$ .75

OLD LACE (B-SC)

A beautiful white with Mallow Pink suffusion. Strong straight stems 7 to 10". Health excellent. Root \$3.50

OGUERITA (B-FD)

Color is a blend of Pastel Mauve and White. Blooms up to 7x5". Good habit of growth. Root \$5.00

ORANGE MAJESTY (ID)

Color is clear orange. Blooms are large and face perfectly on strong stems. Recommended. Root \$1.75

OTTO'S THRILL (FD)

Camelia rose pink with edges of petals tinged canary yellow. Blooms and stems of fine quality. Size 9x4". Root \$2.50

Bargain Offer No. 5 (Roots)

A SUPER SPECIAL Collection of six (6) of the finest varieties we grow - all recent introductions. These Dahlias are all positively outstanding Prize Winners and are offered at a very special low price. Sorry, only one Collection to a customer.

DUET

JOEY K.

OTTO'S THRILL

ROYAL JESTER

OLD LACE

SILVER WEDDING

One strong Root of each of the above six (6) Giant Prize Winners for only \$12.90 postpaid. (Regular Catalog value \$16.00) For prompt ordering-your FREE gift - Choice of: Mary Elizabeth or Orange Majesty.

PEACH BLEND (FD)

A beautiful new B size Dahlia. Color is lovely peach with reddish rose suffusion. Stems long and stiff. A real prize winner. Root \$1.50

PINK FLAMINGO (INC.C)

Pink suffused yellow at the base of petals. A very beautiful and outstanding variety. Root \$1.25

#### POPULAR GUEST (B-BC)

Medium sized cactus, blooms perfectly formed and petals are deeply lacinated. Color deep pink on a lighter base. Good healthy variety. Root \$2.00

#### PRINCESS ROYAL (B-BC)

This is an excellent Dahlia to use as a cut flower. Long lasting in water. Pale salmon pink with lighter center. Root \$1.00

#### PURPLE VELVET (FD)

A purple sport of Deep Purple with all of its parents good qualities. One of the best in the purple class. Highly recommended. Root \$1.00

#### RANDY PRINCE (A-SC)

A large deep Semi-Cactus. Primrose yellow. Blooms measure 10x8". Root \$5.00

#### ROSA LENE (B-INC. C)

Here is a Dahlia that stands up under all weather conditions. Strong stems. A lovely lavender color. Certificate of Merit winner. Root \$2.50

#### ROYAL JESTER (ID)

Very dark red almost black. Size 10" Strong vigorous grower. A fine variety. Root \$2.50

#### ROYAL ROBE (ID)

This is our new 1958 introduction. An unusual color, Mallow Rose splashed with spectrum red. Variegated. Blooms are large up to 10". Plant growth healthy and strong. Root \$5.00

### Bargain Offer No. 6 (Roots)

Here is the BIGGEST and BEST offer for 1959. A SUPER Collection of fourteen (14) of the very finest in our catalog. We urge you to order early - quantity limited.

BONFIRE  
CARLISLE'S PINWHEEL  
DUET  
NED SEYMOUR  
JOEY K.  
SILVER WEDDING  
ROYAL ROBE

PEACH BLEND  
CERAMIC BEAUTY  
GLADYS BREWSTER  
ROYAL JESTER  
OLD LACE  
MICHIGAN GLORY  
ELIZABETH HERTEL

One strong, well-eyed Root of each of the above fourteen (14) sensational giant Prize Winners for only \$26.85 postpaid. (Regular Catalog value \$36.50) Your FREE gift - Choice of: Giant Beauty or Rosa Lene.

#### SALEM SUNSHINE (A-ID)

A large primrose yellow. Vigorous grower, and good root producer. Easy to grow for a good yellow dahlia. Root \$1.00

#### SARAH CAROLINE (FD)

Color is clear amaranth rose. Blooms up to 10" in diameter. A good prize winner. Root \$1.25



### SILVER WEDDING (A-IC)

This is one of the loveliest large varieties.  
White flowers overlaid with lavender. Long  
stems. Root \$2.50

### SON OF VOLUNTEER (A-SC)

Very large, Ruby Red Semi-Cactus blooms  
range in size 9x4- 13x6". Stems and sub-  
stance adequate. Root \$7.50

### SOPHIA R. (A-FD)

Pure white, blooms measure 9x5" on 9" stems.  
Root \$5.00

### STELLAETTE (ID)

Bright velvety red. Flowers 9 to 11" without  
forcing. We recommend this Dahlia very  
highly. Root \$ .75

### STOP LIGHT (SC)

Scarlet red Semi-Cactus. Blooms 7-8" in di-  
ameter on stiff cane like stems blooming  
forward. Winners of many merits in past  
season. Root \$ .75

### SURPRISE (A-SC)

This is an exhibition flower. Large peach of  
excellent formation, and keeps well. Root \$1.75

### THE CARDINAL (SC)

This is a very large Cardinal Red variety that  
attracts attention. A strong, rugged grower  
with dark green foliage. One of the very best  
and we heartily recommend it. Root \$ .75

### THE VOLUNTEER (STR. C)

Color is Tyrian purple with lighter tips. A  
vigorous grower and profuse bloomer. Root \$1.50

### TIARA (A-FD)

A stunning bi-color that is really unusual.  
Color is orange peach tipped with white.  
It is sure to attract attention in your garden. •  
Root \$1.75

## Giant Bargain Offer No. 7 (Roots)

This is surely the BIGGEST BARGAIN Offer - a  
whole garden full of sure-to-please Dahlias for just a  
few dollars. A very special Introductory offer for both  
old and new customers. Sixteen (16) great Dahlias.  
Your complete satisfaction guaranteed.

OGDEN REID

CHEROKEE BEAUTY

COMMANDO

DEEP VELVET

KAY KAY

STELLAETTE

PRIDE OF HOLLAND

STOPLIGHT

MRS. E. J.

OAKLEIGH CHAMPION

D-DAY

CLARA HOOK

KELVIN SUNRISE

AMB. VAN KLEFFENS

ARTHUR GODFREY

MY GOODNESS

One strong Root of each of the above 16 sure-to-  
please varieties for only \$9.95 postpaid. (Regular  
Catalog value \$12.25) For prompt orders - Your FREE  
gift-Choice of: Croydon Masterpiece or Autumn Blaze.

#### VERE SEYFANG (A-FD)

Large lavender. Color may range from light phlox purple to a rose purple. Largest size reported 12x6". Strong stems 9-12". Root \$5.00

#### WARREN SLAGLE (SC)

A very large variety and strong grower. Color is bluish lavender. Really a beauty. Root \$2.00

#### WHITE CHAMPION (SC)

Pure white. One of the largest and best prize winners. Root \$1.00

Regarding Bi- Colors: Sometimes a bi-color variety will produce a solid color. This is possibly due to soil or climate conditions. Try it at least two seasons as the condition will usually correct itself.

### EUROPEAN VARIETIES

Your Dahlia planting will not be complete without a few of the beautiful and colorful European varieties. We believe we offer one of the most complete lists in the country and urge our customers to include a few in their 1959 planting. For sheer beauty, healthy growth habits, long stiff stems and unusual keeping qualities the European Dahlias are unexcelled.

#### AMI PARDIEU (A-IC)

Autumn with yellow center. Very different, and most attractive. Root \$2.00

#### AMB. VAN KLEFFENS (FD)

Color is bright orange. Strong thrifty grower with perfect stems. Root \$ .75

#### BACCHUS (SC)

Beautiful blood red with unusual keeping qualities. Fine show flower. Root \$ .75

#### BELLE OF THE BALL (A-SC)

A novelty for this season. A pure pink color with lighter center. A prize winner at National Show. Root \$3.50

#### BEST SELLER (B-SC)

A real novelty. Color a bright dazzling orange-scarlet. Real early and prolific bloomer. Should be a leader of Dahlia for many years. Root \$1.50

#### BRANDARIS (FD)

Rich scarlet color with golden center. A splendid variety with long, stiff stems. Root \$1.00

#### BRIGHTEST PINK (SC)

Clear rhodamine pink. Very profuse bloomer with long perfect stems. Seedling of Pride of Holland. Root \$1.50



### CARNAVAL (STR.C)

A real sensation. Flowers have perfect formation with fine stems. Color is brightest blood red with striking yellow tip on each petal. Outstanding. Root \$1.50

### CHINESE LANTERN (B.B.FD)

Deep orange in color. Center and reverse show some gold. One of the outstanding Dahlias of the year. Root \$3.50

### DARK WONDERLAND (A-SC)

Very large variety with long stems. The color is blood red with a brown-black nuance. Root \$1.25

### GIANT OF BAARN (SC)

One of the largest and best varieties we have ever grown. Color, bright vermillion red with salmon hue. Healthy grower and has enormous blooms. Here is a champion. Don't miss it. Root \$1.00

### GOLDEN AUTUMN (SC)

Deep golden apricot blooms with fine stems, and growth habits. This Dahlia is one of the best we have ever grown. Root \$1.25

### GOLDEN HEART (IC)

This Dahlia is a positive MUST. Color is a flaming orange-scarlet with golden yellow center. Root \$1.50

### GRAF FOLKE BERNADOTTE (SC)

A wonderful new pure white giant. Profuse bloomer with excellent stems. Good variety for exhibition. Root \$1.00

### HEROINE (SC)

10"x5" Another for the show table. Color is salmon pink, overlaid with mauve and some gold in the center. Root \$1.50

### HURRAH (STC)

8"x5" One of the most conspicuous Dahlias of the Dutch Trial gardens. The pure yellow blooms are carried high above the foliage on long and erect stems. Tall grower. Highest awards on Belgium and German trial gardens. Root \$1.00

### JULES D'HONDT (B-SC)

A variegated variety. Deep yellow striped blood-red. This was very popular at the Cologne show 1957. Blooms are different color combination of different plants. Root \$1.50

### KNOCK OUT (ID)

Color is unusual shades of lilac. Giant blooms are carried high on long, stiff stems. Root \$1.50

### LAVENDER PERFECTION (A-FD)

An ideal Dahlia. Pure lavender with excellent stems. A sure winner in its class. Root \$1.75

### LILY VANDIJK (ID)

A very large, pale yellow color with rose shades. A real giant 10"x12". Root \$1.00

MAESTOSO (A-ID)

Blooms stand on huge stems and have fine form. Color is deep blood red. Root \$1.25

MAGENTA QUEEN (B-FD)

Red in color. Very good for commercial cut flower. Root \$1.50

MISS UNIVERSE (A-SC)

Winner of the "Silver Dahlia Trophy 1956". This is truly a champion of champions. Color is an eye-catching deep burnt orange without any shades. Root \$5.00

MY GOODNESS (INC.C)

Excellent exhibition variety. Color light orange with darker center - very vivid appearance. Root \$ .75

NEAREST BLUE (ID)

Phlox purple or mauve. A fine exhibition variety with giant size and form. Root \$1.75

OGONDEN (ID)

A very large Japanese variety. Color is deep bright yellow. Perfect formation and growth. Root \$1.00

PEACE (B-ID)

A novelty Dahlia with good sized blooms on perfect stems. Petals slightly pointed. Ivory white with greenish center. Root \$1.50

PERFECTOS (B-SC)

A fine red dahlia for exhibition. It ranges between semi-cactus and straight cactus. Perfectos deserves its name. Root \$2.00

PHENOMENON (INC.C)

A giant variety with unusual color and form. Has lacinated petal tips of purple suffusing into lavender and then white in the centers. A real novelty. Root \$2.00

PINNACLE (B.B.SC.)

This Dahlia is a scarlet red with faultless blooms. A wonderful novelty. Root \$1.00

PIONEER (B-StC.)

This is the finest yellow Dahlia of them all. Pioneer is in every respect a beauty. Root \$1.00

PREFERENCE (SC)

A very prolific B size variety. Color is appealing pure salmon. Unexcelled cut flower. Root \$1.00

PREMIE 1948 (ID)

Deep bluish purple with silver reverse. Very large flowers on strong stems. Root \$1.00

PRIDE OF HOLLAND (STR.C.)

This is the darling of them all - one of Hollands introductions. Color is a striking pure pink. Flowers are large and perfect formation. Highly recommended. Root \$1.00



## REX (SC)

Color is striking intense mauve purple with silver reverse. The blooms are held erect by stiff, long stems and have great depth and quality. Root \$1.00

## RODEO (A-SC)

A marvelous Dahlia. Was considered the best red variety by many experts from Holland and abroad. Very good cut flower. Root \$2.50

## SALMON GLORY (INC.C)

Color is a beautiful salmon apricot with bright yellow center. Flowers up to 10". One of the best. Root \$1.00

## SWAMI VIVEKANANDA (A-ID)

A very good large informal white. Good stems and a pure white. Root \$2.50

## VALLERIE WATSON (A-FD)

Fine yellow heavily suffused light bronze. Fine exhibition variety. An Australian variety. Root \$1.50

## VAL ST LAMBERT (B-StC.)

A very fine medium-sized bloom. Color cream heavily tipped carmine red. Root \$ .75

## VARIETY GIRL (FD)

Orange gold with white tips. Exceptionally good variety. Root \$1.50

## WAGSCHALS GOLDKRONE (B-IC)

Medium sized flowers heavily incurved and carried on long stems. Pure gold in color with deep brown center. Root \$2.00

## MENSE'S SENSATION (A-FD)

This is a unicolored deep pink Dahlia. Sensational to say the least. This variety has a great future, and should be a prize winner for a lifetime. Root \$5.00

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We unreservedly guarantee all stock purchased from us to be true to name and to be satisfactory in every respect. Any stock which proves otherwise will be cheerfully replaced or proper adjustment made immediately. Not responsible in any case for more than actual purchase price.

## NOTICE PLEASE

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# SMALL FLOWERING VARIETIES

(Unexcelled for cut flower arrangement)

During the past few seasons, the popularity of the small flowering Dahlias has increased by leaps and bounds. Everyone should include a few Miniatures or Poms in their Dahlia or landscape planting.

Our range of varieties has been substantially increased during the past season and we recommend the following sorts for cutting or table work--all are profuse bloomers.

## MINIATURES

	Roots
CINDY ANN MITCHELL Lavender Pink	\$ .75
CHARMER Pink and Gold	.75
DANCING DOLL Pure White	.75
DECOY Golden yellow flushed red	1.00
FAIRY Popular pink formal	.50
FUZZY WUZZY Autumn	1.00
GINNY JOHNSTON A new miniature for dark blend class	1.25
HAPPY MOOD Sulphur yellow, a beauty	.50
IKE Deep, blood red with notched petals	.50
LADY SUNBEAM Deep bronze with yellow center	.50
LITTLE JOHNNY Red	.50
LITTLE RACHAEL Bright pink	.75
LITTLE SPRECKLES Variegated, white with dots of light phlox and purple	1.50
PINKETTE New pink with touch of gold at tips	.75
SMALL FRY Deep pink	.75
SMILES Pink and gold	.75
STARFIRE Red and gold. Petals	1.00
WHITE FAWN Popular white. Heavy foliage	.50

## POMPONS AND BALLS

	Roots
BASE BALL (Pom) Pure White	\$1.00
CONSTANT (Pom) Sulpher Yellow	.50
HILDE (Pom) Red	.75
KOCHELSEE (Ball) Bright Red	.50
LITTLE BUDDY Soft lemon yellow	.50
LITTLE WILLEM (Bi) New bi-color purple tipped with white	.75
RONDKOP (Ball) Fawn Edged Salmon	.75
TAM TAM (Pom) Almost black	.75



## SPECIAL MIXTURE OFFERS

Unexcelled Value for 1959

The following assortments represent outstanding offers and are sure to surprise and please you. These mixtures are made up of Dahlias on which labels have been lost and varieties from our 1958 field plantings of which we do not have sufficient stock to list in our catalog. Because of our reduced planting program for next season, many fine varieties will be included in these assortments. We promise you a pleasant surprise and guarantee satisfaction.

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No. M-18	18 roots	only \$ 5.65 postpaid
No. M-24	24 roots	only \$ 6.85 postpaid
No. M-50	50 roots	only \$12.75 postpaid

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No. ME-18	18 roots	only \$ 5.90 postpaid
No. ME-24	24 roots	only \$ 6.85 postpaid
No. ME-50	50 roots	only \$12.95 postpaid

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JOEY K	ROYAL ROBE
ROYAL JESTER	DUET
CHEROKEE BEAUTY	MARY ELIZABETH
CROYDON MASTERPIECE	AUTUMN BLAZE

One strong, well-eyed Root of each of the above giant Prize Winners for only \$9.85 all shipping charges prepaid. (Regular Catalog value \$17.50) This is a limited offer and subject to withdrawal without notice when stocks are exhausted. We reserve the right to substitute varieties of equal or greater value if necessary. To avoid disappointment - ORDER TODAY SURE.

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